



PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 4329.3247

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of:  |   |                      |
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| KATSUYUKI SEKINE ET AL.  |   | )                    |
| Application No.: 10/785,074  |   | Group Art Unit: 2812 |
| Filed:   | February 25, 2004                                     | Examiner: Unknown    |
| For:   | SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF | )<br>)<br>)          |
| Commissioner for Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 |   |                      |
| Sir:   |   |                      |

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.